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Field Grown Perennials, Peonies and Hardy Phlox



Blooms From Our Giant Pacific Hybrid Delphinium—
Seed Sown in May, Blooms Like This in September—

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NEW GARDEN BOOK

"GARDEN MAGIC"

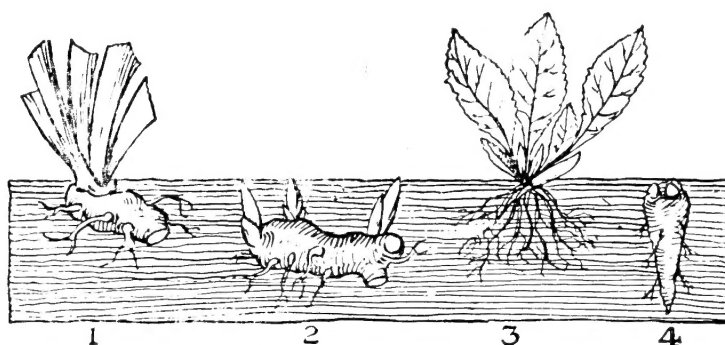
The Complete Book Which Every Home
Gardener Should Have.

Written by Roy E. Biles, Forward by E. L. D. Seymour, Horticultural
Editor of The American Home Magazine.

It is one of the most informative and complete garden books we
have ever seen.

320 pages packed with all the information you will ever need to
become a first class gardener. Tells you everything, from simple pre-
paration of soil to the cutting of gorgeous blooms

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AND HOW TO MAINTAIN IT; LAWNS AND GRADING; TREES
AND SHRUBS; PLANTING, TRANSPLANTING AND PRUNING;
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on highest quality perennial plants.

HEAVY ROOTED, ONE-YEAR FIELD GROWN

Perennial Plants

(Blooming seasons, where given, are approximate and depend on climate, weather conditions, etc.)

VARIETY

	Per Doz.	Half Doz.
ALYSSUM (Rock Madwort)		
SAXATILE COMPACTUM (BASKET OF GOLD) —	1.25	.75
Excellent plant for the rockery or borders. One of the showiest spring flowers with its large clustered blooms of bright yellow. Grows from 10 to 12 inches high. Very hardy.		
ANCHUSA (Sea Bugloss)		
ITALICA DROPMORE (ALKANET) -----	1.25	.75
Grows 5 to 6 feet tall and makes a splendid background plant. Bears loads of true gentian flowers in June. Very hardy and sturdy.		
ANEMONE (Pasque Flower)		
PULSATILLA -----	1.35	.80
Grows only about 10 inches high which makes it ideal for rockery or border. Deepest blue bell shaped blooms come very early in spring.		
AQUILEGIA (Columbine)		
These are among the most beautiful of hardy plants and the most important parts of the hardy perennial garden. Their presence will lighten up even the most formal planting and their colorful blooms are unexcelled for cutting.		
CLEMATIFLORA (SPURLESS) -----	1.50	.90
Excellent bedder. Noted for the clear, soft, mixed colors of its abundant blooms.		
CRIMSON STAR -----	2.25	1.25
One of the finest and most striking Aquilegias we know of. Bright Crimson with the inside of the bloom a waxy white. Probably the largest flowering of the Columbines. Good for cutting as blooms keep exceptionally long.		
LONG SPURRED BLUE SHADES -----	1.25	.75
A heavy blooming type with large flowers and extremely long spurs. Exquisite colorings in all shades of blue. A sturdy grower.		
LONG SPURRED HYBRIDS -----	1.25	.75
A superior cutting variety. Also much used for bedding because of the exceptionally wide range of colors which cover most of the mixed shades. Long spurred and very prolific bloomer.		
LONGISSIMA (LONGEST SPURRED) -----	1.25	.75
One of the finest Columbines. Flowers are extra large, of the finest quality and their clear yellow color lends charm to any planting.		

ALL PRICES ARE PREPAID PRICES

AQUILEGIA (Continued)**VARIETY**

Per Doz.	Half Doz.
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MRS. NICHOLLS

1.25

.75

For richest color we recommend this variety. Large long spurred blooms with excellent deep color are borne over a long period.

MRS. SCOTT ELLIOTT'S HYBRIDS

1.25

.75

Unquestionably the finest color mixture grown. Flowers are large, have long spurs and the colors cover all shades of lavender, purple, red, white, yellow, blue and pink.

Beautifully formed, richly colored deep rose blooms. An excellent cutting variety.

1.25

.75

SILVER QUEEN

1.25

.75

An excellent variety loved for its silvery white blooms and finely formed florets.

ARABIS (White Rock Cress)**ALPINA**

1.25

.75

A splendid creeping plant which seldom grows over 12 inches high. Bears masses of white blossoms in early spring. Foliage is very ornamental balance of the year.

ARTEMISIA (Southernwood)**SILVER KING**

1.25

.75

A striking contrast plant with light silvery gray foliage. Much used in mixed bouquets. May be cut and dried for winter use. We offer well rooted cuttings.

ASTERS (Michaelmas Daisy)**ALPINUS GOLIATH**

1.25

.75

Grows about 15 inches high, making it a lovely border plant. Large blooms of soft blue color are borne profusely from May until late summer.

AMELLUS

1.25

.75

Grows about 20 inches high, making it a lovely border plant. Large blooms of soft mixed colors are borne profusely from May until late summer.

SPECIAL! HARDY ASTER**"BEECHWOOD CHALLENGER"**

Very popular and beautiful variety. Grows 3 to 4 feet tall and produces masses of bright deep garnet blooms with shining yellow centers. Hardy and Prolific.

"HARRINGTON'S PINK"

One of the finest and most popular hardy asters to be introduced in recent years. Gives plenty of bright color to your garden during the late summer and fall season when blooms of most plants are gone.

Good sized flowers of bright clear pink completely cover the large sturdy plant. Hardy and disease free.

"WHITE LADY"

To make the fall garden ever more colorful, we offer this beautiful white variety. Hardy, vigorous and a very prolific bloomer.

Your choice of the three splendid varieties above.

Field Grown, Transplanted Plants

35c each; 3 for \$1.00, postpaid

VARIETY

Per
Doz.

Half
Doz.

AUBRIETIA (PURPLE ROCK CRESS)

Very desirable for rock gardens or for edging or border. Start blooming in April and continue until July.

Their graceful, dwarf habit of growing, their delightful coloring and their evergreen foliage makes them beloved by all gardeners.

ROSEA GRANDIFLORA ----- 1.25 .75

Dainty, bright pink flowers on six-inch stems.

SPECIAL! MONARCH MIXED AUBRIETIA

Only by a very fortunate circumstance are we able to offer this superb NEW ENGLISH STRAIN to our friends at these low prices. One of the most glorious color mixtures we've ever seen. Almost every conceivable shade of deep red, violet, rose, lavender, mauve, pink, and purple. Make your bed borders a riot of early color with this surprising color mixture. Be sure to order some of these MONARCH MIXED aubrietias.

6 for 80c

12 for \$1.35, Postpaid

BLACKBERRY LILY

BELAMCANDA CHINESIS ----- 1.25 .75

Lily like blooms of orange spotted with red. Easily grown.

BLEEDING HEART (OLD FASHIONED VARIETY)

DICENTRA SPECTABILIS

The old fashioned flower which has been a favorite with all generations since our grandmother's day. Deep pink heart shaped flowers hang from the branches of a sturdy plant. Long blooming period. Ornamental foliage.

55c each; 3 for \$1.50

CALLIRHOE (Poppy Mallow)

INVOLUCRATA ----- 1.25 .75

This is an excellent plant for the rock garden or for wall planting, due to its trailing habit of growth. Fine lacy foliage and bears large, saucer-shaped blooms of bright crimson with white spots. Blooms through most of the summer and fall. Grows only 6 inches high.



Block of Giant Pacific Hybrid Delphinium—Seed
Sown in May—Abundant Bloom in September—

MICHIGAN CUSTOMERS PLEASE ADD 3% SALES TAX

VARIETY

Per
Doz. Half
Doz.

CAMPANULA (Bellflower)

CALYCANTHEMA (Cup and Saucer-Mixed colors) 1.25 .75

One of the most desirable cut flowers. Very showy in any garden.

CARPATICA (Dwarf Blue Bells of Scotland) ----- 1.25 .75

Excellent for rockeries or for edging. Rounded clump of bright green foliage from which stems arise only 6 or 8 inches. Each stem bears a beautiful dark bell-shaped bloom of large size. Very lovely and colorful.

MEDIUM, (Old Favorite "Canterbury Bells") ----- 1.25 .75

A favorite with all flower lovers. A thrilling sight in June and July when its many branches are loaded with deep bells, the edges of which are softly rolled and fluted. Grows 2 to 3 feet high.

We offer five outstanding colors Blue, Pink, White and Double and Single Prize Mixture. Your Choice.

PERSICIFOLIA, BLUE ----- 1.25 .75

The true perennial variety. Grows about 2 feet high. Large blue bell shaped blooms make it attractive for contrast either in beds or in bouquets. Long blooming period.

HARDY CARNATION (Carnation Grenadin)

Almost a necessity in your garden. These hardy outdoor carnations have unlimited uses. For spots of bright color, for cutting and for fragrance they are unexcelled. Bloom practically all through the summer. Have dwarf habit of growth.

"KING OF THE BLACKS" ----- 1.35 .80

One of the finest hardy carnations. Large flowering and fragrant with deepest maroon color and satiny black sheen.

GOLDEN SUN ----- 1.25 .75

Sweet scented, golden yellow.

PINK ----- 1.25 .75

We highly recommend this for clear pink color.

RED ----- 1.25 .75

Really brilliant color and very profuse habit of bloom makes this much desired.

WHITE ----- 1.25 .75

To complete the color range in your carnation planting be sure to include this one.

MIXED ----- 1.25 .75

Hardy; fragrant; in mixed colors.

CHIERANTHUS (Siberian Wallflower)

ALLIONII, GOLDEN BEDDER ----- 1.25 .75

Bright golden yellow blooms make a rich color display in the rockery or border. Grows only 12 inches high and blooms during May and June.

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VARIETY

Hardy Chrysanthemums

HARDY FALL FLOWERING 'MUMS

ALL ARE EARLY BLOOMING

These beautiful hardy chrysanthemums will begin to bloom in early fall and will provide a wealth and richness of color for your gardens after other plants have finished flowering. All are hardy, easy to grow and are of the best varieties offered by any grower. We offer **field grown, transplanted plants which have bloomed for us** and which we know will please you.

BESSIE BROWN—A superb bronze button type 'mum. Strong grower and free blooming.

CALIPH—Rich deep red.

DEAN KAY—Beautiful bright yellow.

EARLY WONDER—Very early variety with exquisite blooms of shimmering pink which blends to a peach blossom pink as the blooms age.

EARLY JOAN HELEN—A new and striking variety. Good stems, splendid grower and produces an abundance of rich garnet red blooms.

GRANNY SCOVILL—Beautiful copper-bronze.

LAVENDER LADY—Soft satiny lavender.

MRS. P. S. DUPONT—A grand producer of beautiful blooms—Peach pink with a blush of salmon. Ideal for cutting, having good stems and producing plenty of blooms.

NANCY COPELAND—Bright spectrum-red.

SATURN—Fine deep bronze.

SILVER TIP—One of the most desirable varieties and a distinct oddity. Color is a bright carmine with the tip of each petal a silvery white. Very striking and plant blooms profusely over a long season.

Your Choice of the Splendid Varieties Above.

35c each; 3 for \$1.00; 7 for \$2.00, Postpaid

SEPTEMBER BLOOMING 'MUMS

A new series especially desirable because they bloom early in September. They are rather dwarf and of the cushion type. We offer strong field grown plants.

CHIPPEWA—Rich aster-purple.

DWARF JEWEL—A very compact grower which produces a mass of softly colored lilac-lavender blooms.

RED VELVET—Recognized the best crimson.

SEPT. BRONZE—Scores of glowing bronze blooms.

SEPT. CLOUD—Pearly white with primrose centers.

SEPT. GOLD—Striking rich golden yellow.

TA SIVA—One of the best. Pure white.

TREASURE TROVE—Golden Yellow.

YOUR CHOICE OF ABOVE VARIETIES

40c each; 3 for \$1.10; 12 for \$4.00, Postpaid

GORGEOUS, NEW, HARDY

ENGLISH 'MUMS

**EARLY BLOOMING, FOR LATE SUMMER
AND FALL COLOR**

These sensational new mums originated in Canada and have quickly gained great favor among lovers of fine flowers in this country. Enormous blooms are carried on stiffly erect stems. Excellent for cutting. Disbudding will produce some real exhibition blooms.

We Offer the following fine varieties

ALABASTER—Incurved. White. 5" blooms.

EARLY BUTTERCUP—Deep bronze, golden reverse.

COPPELIA—Bright Indian red. Medium blooms.

ELDORADO—Beautiful yellow. 5" blooms.

GOLDEN DOME—Bright yellow. 5" blooms.

LEDA—Heliotrope pink. 6" blooms.

MRS. J. FINDLAY—Bright yellow. 6" blooms.

REVELLER—Indian red. Medium blooms.

ROSE PRINCESS—Salmon-rose. Medium blooms.

VULCAN—Solid brilliant crimson. 4" blooms.

Your Choice of the Above Varieties

50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$5.00

Postpaid

KOREAN 'MUMS

The Korean type 'mums are especially fine for cutting because of their long stems and the fact that they keep unusually well in bouquets. They start blooming in early fall and continue to produce abundant blooms until frozen down.

ALGONQUIN—Very hardy and very early blooming. Rather dwarf growing plant with extra large, brilliant yellow blooms in profusion.

AUTUMN LIGHTS—Magnificent and striking copper bronze. Very hardy and early blooming. Compact, beautiful plant and strong grower.

JACKIE—A new variety only lately introduced by us—Double blooms of rich wine red—Free bloomer.

SEQUOIA—A Korean Hybrid type which produces gorgeous double blooms in great abundance. Color is a grand shade of mellow amber with interesting variations.

YOUR CHOICE OF ABOVE VARIETIES

35c each; 4 for \$1.25

KOREAN HYBRIDS (EARLY BLOOMING)

These beautiful 'mums have swept to a high place in the esteem of all gardeners and plant growers. Their clear intense coloring, free blooming habit and the unusual strength of their growth make them essential if you want late summer or fall color in your garden. As far as we know we are the only grower offering them in 1 yr., field grown untransplanted plants. Our low price for these now enables you to have a large planting of them at very little expense. They will come in mixed colors and in single, semi-double and double forms.

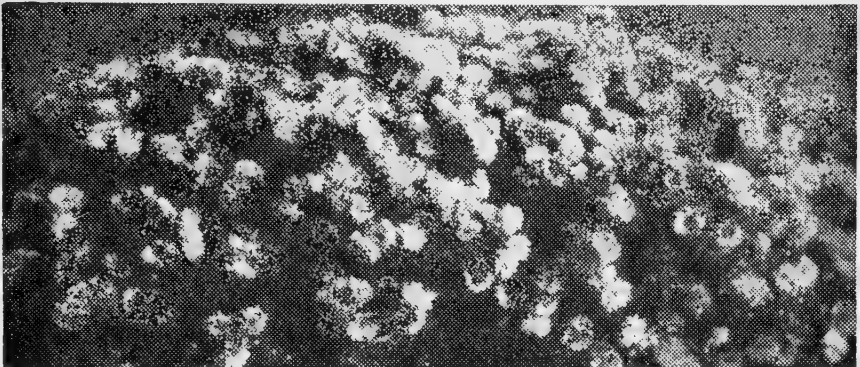
6 for 75c; 12 for \$1.25, postpaid.

CUSHION 'MUMS

In the few years since these remarkable plants were introduced they have swept the country and have risen to the very peak of popularity with all gardeners from coast to coast. Dwarf in height, hardy, colorful and the most prolific bloomers we know of among plants. Begin blooming in July and each plant produces actually hundreds of buds and blooms from then on until the latest fall freezes. Unexcelled for borders or for planting in front of shrubs or evergreens. Showy and beautiful in mass plantings. Even one plant alone makes a small flower garden. We offer choice field grown, transplanted plants.

YOUR CHOICE—RED, PURPLE, YELLOW, BRONZE, PINK
35c ea.; 5 for \$1.35. Postpaid.

NOTE: The purple variety offered above is "Sonja"—This is a new variety and has a rich satiny purple color which makes it outstanding.



**CUSHION MUM IN FULL BLOOM—EACH PLANT WILL
 PROVIDE HUNDREDS OF BLOOMS EACH YEAR—**

SPECIAL! THE NEWEST CUSHION TYPE 'MUM "CAMILLA"

Being Introduced By Us This Year

One of the finest of the new cushion type 'mums. We are introducing this beautiful variety this season for the first time and we believe our customers will welcome the opportunity to get it. One of the cleanest and most compact growers we know of and has a superb, deep raspberry-rose color. Hardy, good stems, holds its color after cutting or on the plant, early blooming. In fact it has all the desirable characteristics you can ask for in a Chrysanthemum.

60c each; 4 for \$2.00

VARIETY

Per Doz.	Half Doz.
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COREOPSIS (Tickseed)

One of the most useful perennials for borders and for cutting. Very easy to grow and produces golden yellow blooms in great profusion throughout the summer.

DOUBLE SUNBURST (NEW GOLD) -----	1.75	1.00
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A new variety which bears double flowers of good color. Keeps exceptionally well when cut. Large plants.

VARIETY

Per Half
Doz. Doz.

DELPHINIUM

(PERENNIAL LARKSPUR)

One of the best loved and most popular of the world's perennials. New introductions have widened the colors available and have produced better growth and blooms. Our reputation has been founded on the high quality of the delphiniums we grow. These are all heavy 1 year field grown plants which will bloom in your plantings this summer.

BELLADONNA, IMPROVED CLIVEDEN BEAUTY----- 1.25 .75

Beautiful soft light blue in color. A strong grower and heavy bloomer. Superior to the old types of Belladonna; better stems and color.

BELLAMOSUM ----- 1.25 .75

Identical in habit of growth and characteristics with Belladonna described above but has rich, deep blue color so much loved in delphiniums.

CHINESE ----- 1.25 .75

Graceful habit of growth and has finely cut foliage which makes it useful for garden display. Flower spikes are loosely arranged and have a clear light blue color, keeping well when cut.

CHINESE BLUE MIRROR ----- 1.25 .75

Bright navy blue blooms without spurs. Grows 2 feet high. One of the best blues.

LAMARTINE ----- 1.25 .75

One of the finest cutting varieties. Well formed spikes of the deepest blue flowers, each with a distinct white eye. The real Gentian-blue color is rare in flowers and these will delight you.

GORGEOUSLY COLORED HYBRID DELPHINIUM

Recent introductions in the field of Hybrids have added rare new colors and variations never thought possible in Delphiniums. Individual florets are now double and semi-double in addition to singles. Spikes are almost unbelievably large. Plant some Hybrids this year and you will be thrilled next summer when you see the wonderful blossoms produced.

BLACKMORE & LANGDON HYBRIDS----- 1.50 .90

Superb color range which includes shadings from pale blue through delicate lavender and rose variations. Florets run a good per cent double. Very strong grower with strong stems.

WREXHAM STRAIN, HOLLYHOCK FLOWERED 1.50 .90

Extremely long, spire-like spikes thickly studded with individual florets of large size. Color variations including all shades from deepest blues and purples to the delicate pastels in rose, orchid and pale blue. A wonderful grower and producer with very strong stems.

Ft. Worth, Tex., March 21, 1945

Richards Gardens, Plainwell, Mich.

Gentlemen: I rec'd my Carnations Monday. they were perfectly nice. Thanks for the way you handle your orders. Yours respt.,

Mrs. R. E. Cunningham.

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VARIETY

Per Doz.	Half Doz.
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DIANTHUS (Pinks)

This great family is comprised of many varieties and species. They are worthy of a place in every planting and their bright colors and fragrance make them essential in good floral arrangements.

DIANTHUS BARBATUS (Sweet William)

An old fashioned flower of which we never tire. Loads of colorful blooms are produced in June. Excellent for color masses in beds or for cutting. Very hardy, easy to grow. We offer the following varieties:

MIDGET MIXED -----	1.25	.75
Dwarf variety much used for borders. Mixed colors of wide range. Long blooming season.		
NEWPORT PINK -----	1.25	.75
Beautiful salmon pink color. Fine for cutting.		
SCARLET BEAUTY -----	1.25	.75
Brightest scarlet color for massed display.		
VAUGHAN'S SPECIAL MIXTURE -----	1.25	.75
Excellent strain of vigorous growing plants with wide range of brilliant mixed colors.		

EVERBLOOMING HARDY SWEET WILLIAM

LATIFOLIUS ATROCOCCINEUS FLORA PLENA --	1.25	.75
A beautiful summer blooming variety as it bears brilliant fiery crimson blooms all through the season. Very hardy and a sturdy grower.		

DIANTHUS LOVELINESS

A truly lovely dianthus. Lacy, curling petals of exquisite orchid pink color. Very fragrant and one of our finest plants for a low border, edging or rockery.
6 for 90c; 12 for \$1.50

DIANTHUS PLUMARIS (Clove Pinks)

New strains of the old fashioned Hardy Pinks have brought this grand flower back into favor. Noted for their exquisite fragrance and free blooming.

CYCLOPS -----	1.25	.75
Deep rosy crimson hybrids. Fragrant. Red center.		
DOUBLE MIXED -----	1.25	.75
Old fashioned hardy pinks in assorted mixed colors. Hardy and thrive most anywhere.		
HIGHLAND QUEEN, ROSE HYBRIDS -----	1.25	.75
One of the best perennial Dianthus offered today. Bright rose colored, fragrant blooms are produced continually from May to November. Ideal for bedding, border or rockery. Red center.		
SPRING BEAUTY -----	1.25	.75
Large sized double blooms are typically carnation in form and fragrance; wide range of mixed color shades.		

VARIETY

	Per Doz.	Half Doz.
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DIGITALIS (Foxglove)

GIANT SHIRLEY HYBRIDS -----	1.50	.90
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This elegant strain of an old fashioned flower grows to 7 feet high, ideal for tall colorful back-grounds. The color mixture is superb. We heartily recommend this variety of Foxglove.

GAILLARDIA (Blanket Flower)

For general hardiness and the profusion with which they produce their colorful blooms, the Gaillardias are in a class by themselves. Plants require only the very simplest care. Blooms keep extremely long after cutting or will make a bright color display in the perennial border.

BURGUNDY -----	1.25	.75
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Brilliant, wine-red flowers of large size on strong lengthy stems. Ideal for cutting. Blooms from June until frost. Showy color for the border.

DAZZLER -----	1.25	.75
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One of the most brilliant of the family. Large flowering type with blooms of bright golden yellow, centered by a disc of satiny maroon.

GOBLIN, DWARF -----	1.25	.75
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A true dwarf Gaillardia which deserves a place in every garden. Grows 12 to 15 inches high in very compact shape. Foliage practically disappears under the mass of large deep red and gold blooms.

PORTOLA HYBRIDS -----	1.25	.75
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Extremely large flowering strain and noted for the wide range of deep colors which vary from reddish brown to deep gold. Makes colorful bouquets.

GYPSOPHILA (Baby Breath)

One of the best known perennials and much loved for the delicacy of its blooms. For misty garden beauty or when used in mixed bouquets it has no equal.

"PACIFICA" -----	1.50	.90
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Beautiful pearly pink blooms in branching panicles. Grows 4 feet tall and blooms in September and October. Excellent for use in fall bouquets.

PANICULATA, -----	1.25	.75
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Dense, spreading, bushy type which reaches a height of 3 feet. Numberless tiny white blooms completely hide the plant during flowering season. May be cut and dried for winter use. Foliage is fine in texture and ornamental in rockery or border.

SNOW WHITE, DOUBLE -----	1.35	.80
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Grows only about 2 feet high and produces a mass of small white flowers, mostly double. Much used in the ends of a perennial border for its misty, delicate atmosphere. Good for all bouquet use.

HELIANTHEMUM (HARDY SUN ROSE)

No plant is more beautiful or colorful for the rock garden, border, or wherever a very low growing plant is desired. Their multitude of brilliant colors and blooms attract attention and add charm wherever used. Glossy green foliage is always attractive and forms background for the flowers.

MUTABILIS, MIXED -----	1.25	.75
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Beautiful hybrids of rose, white and yellow.

VARIETY

Per Half
Doz. Doz.

HELIOPSIS (Hardy Zinnia)

Valuable for cutting and noted for their hardiness and fine color. Good compact growing habit with strong erect stems. Very free flowering.

LEMOINE'S GIANT ----- 1.25 .75

Double, golden yellow blooms.

HIBISCUS (Giant Mallow)

Unequalled for tall backgrounds or for specimen plants. Their large leaved, ornamental foliage is fine in the border. Tall erect canes bear large bell-shaped blooms often measuring 7 or 8 inches across. Very hardy and easily grown. Grow 4 feet tall.

MALLOW MARVEL, JUMBO RED ----- 1.25 .75

MALLOW MARVEL, PINK ----- 1.25 .75

HOLLYHOCKS

No flower has more sentiment or is more closely associated with our memories than hollyhock. We have selected three outstanding varieties listed below as being the best for our customers and we know you will be pleased when they bloom.

CHATER'S DOUBLE MIXED ----- 1.25 .75

Beautiful range of color in one of the best mixed strains.

NEWPORT PINK ----- 1.25 .75

Rich, shimmering pink blooms on tall stems

SCARLET BEAUTY ----- 1.25 .75

Brilliant scarlet color for bold backgrounds

IBERIS (Hardy Candytuft)

These delightful plants have a very distinct place in the rockery or wherever a dwarf plant with evergreen foliage is needed. Very hardy and rarely exceed 18 inches in height. May be used for dwarf flowering hedge. Dense heads of blooms in early spring.

GIBRALTARICA ----- 1.25 .75

Dwarf, with evergreen foliage. Masses of lavender bloom in early spring. Splendid for edging.

IRIS DICHOTOMA (Vesper Iris)

Large fragrant blooms come in tall branching sprays in late July and continue through August. Blooms open each evening. Make a fine display of color when planted in groups.

DICHOTOMA MIXED ----- 1.25 .75

Colors run from light cream through blues, purples and red shades. Very good for mixed beds.

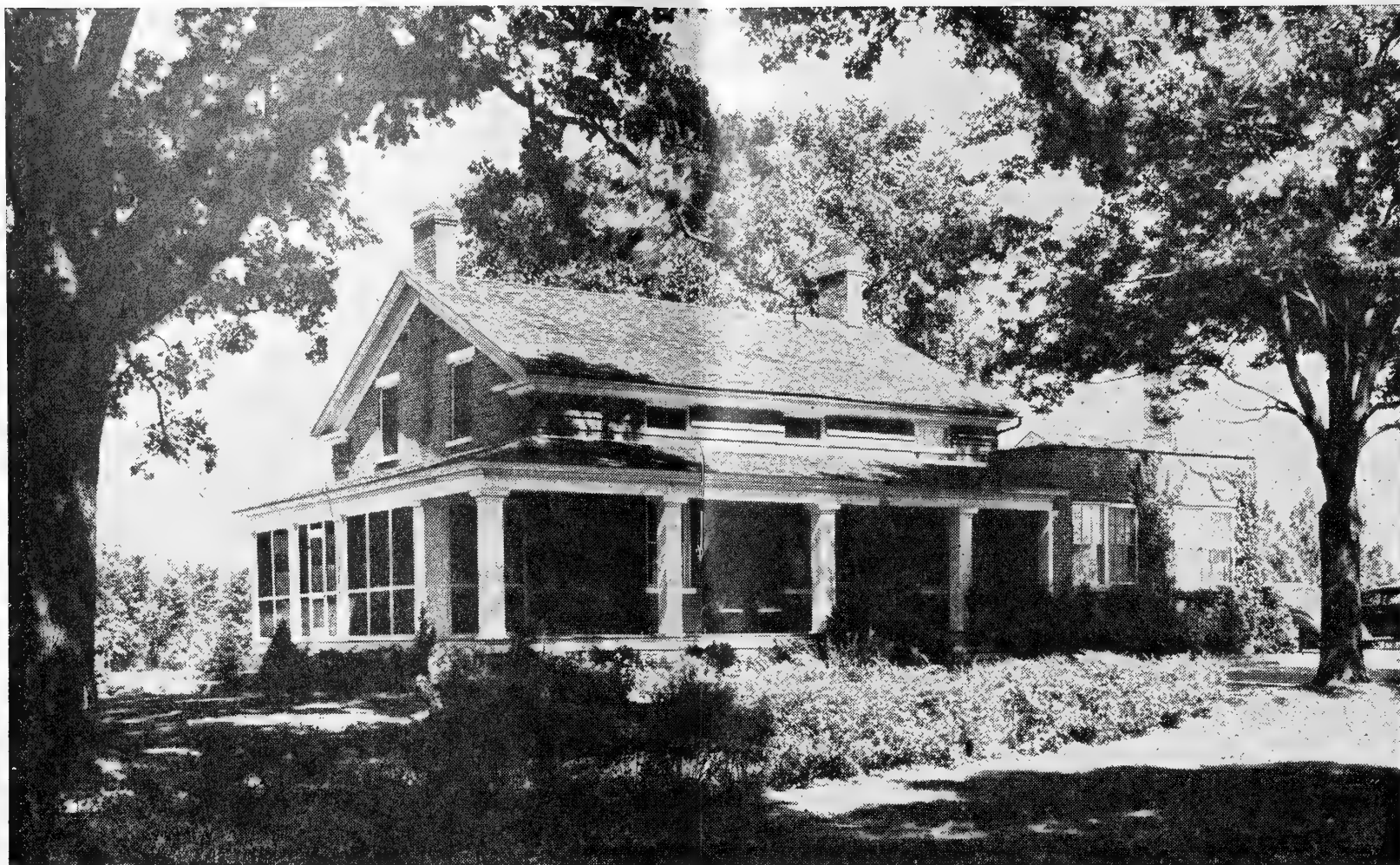
IRIS KAEMPFERI (Oriental Iris)

Immense flat blooms on tall stems. Noted for the variety of their colorings which range from delicate pastels to deepest purple and blue. Long narrow leaves make ornamental clumps of foliage. Plant some of these beautiful Iris in your borders. The size and quality of their blooms will please the most exacting.

KAEMPFERI, MIXED ----- 1.25 .75

A beautiful assortment of colors. Tall growing.

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THE HOME OF ONE YEAR, FIELD GROWN PERENNIALS

A Familiar Landmark to Travelers on U. S. 131—The Red Brick Tavern—The Old Homestead, Recommended by Duncan Hines—One of Michigan's Most Famous Eating Places—Famous For Its Excellent Chicken and Steak Dinners—Just North of Plainwell. About Half Way Between Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids—Visitors are Always Welcome at Any Time. For Lunch or Dinner Reservations Telephone Plainwell 3943.

The World's Finest Delphiniums

The Famous Vetterle and Reinelt Pacific Hybrids

NAMED VARIETIES	Per Doz.	Half Doz.
BLACK KNIGHT ----- Darkest royal violet.	2.25	1.25
BLUE BIRD ----- Clear medium blue with white bee.	2.25	1.25
BLUE JAY ----- Medium to dark blue with darker bee.	2.25	1.25
CAMELIARD ----- Clear soft lavender. White bee.	2.25	1.25
GALAHAD SERIES ----- Clear white flower spikes of enormous size.	2.25	1.25
GUINEVERE ----- Light pink lavender with white bee.	2.25	1.25
KING ARTHUR ----- Rich, deep royal violet. White bee.	2.25	1.25
SUMMER SKIES ----- Clearest light blue with white bee.	2.25	1.25
ROUND TABLE ----- Mixed shades. Finest	2.25	1.25
LANCELOT ----- Soft lavender, self-colored.	2.25	1.25

This elegant strain of Delphinium is almost beyond discription. Flower spikes 3 to 5 feet long closely packed with individual flowers from 2 to 3 inches across; many are double, semi-double, some single. The plants are resistant to mildew and stems are wiry and strong enough to resist high winds. These plants are strong well-rooted plants from seed sown last May.

COLOR GROUPS

VARIETY

	Per Doz.	Half Doz.
DARK BLUE -----	1.75	1.00
LIGHT BLUE -----	1.75	1.00
GIANT WHITE -----	1.75	1.00
MIXED SHADES -----	1.75	1.00
VIOLET SHADES -----	1.75	1.00
LAVENDER and PASTEL -----	1.75	1.00

VARIETY

Per Doz. Half Doz.

LATHYRUS LATIFOLIUS (Hardy Perennial Sweet Pea)

A climbing form of Sweet Pea which should be more generally planted in this country. Will quickly cover trellis, fence or arbor. Bloom continuously from spring until fall. Colorful sweet pea blossoms are fragrant and make dainty cut flowers.

MIXED COLORS ----- 1.25 .75

LAVENDULA (LAVENDER)

VERA (Munstead Strain) -----

The real Sweet Lavender used and grown in our grand-mothers' day. A dwarf variety which grows in compact form, and bears exquisitely fragrant blue flowers. 1.50 .90

LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY (Convallaria)

One of the most familiar and most loved of the perennials. Will grow in shade or on spots where nothing else seems to grow. Exquisite, waxen white, bell-shaped blooms hang from 8 to 10 inch stems. Foliage is ornamental all season. Very fragrant. Strong 1 year pips, ready for transplanting.

6 for 75c; 12 for \$1.25, Postpaid

LILIUM (Hardy Lilies)

REGALE (2 YEAR BULBS) ----- 2.00 1.10

One of the best known and most loved of all lilies. Large trumpet shaped blooms waxen white inside and rosy pink outside.

LINARIA

DALMATICA ----- 1.25 .75

Perennial snapdragon in rich yellow.

LINUM (Perennial Hardy Flax)

HEAVENLY BLUE ----- 1.25 .75

Very desirable plant for the perennial borders. Grows about 2½ feet high, with finely cut, ornamental foliage. From May to August you have a fresh crop of blooms for cutting each morning. Beautiful, clear, light blue color blends well with other flowers for mixed bouquets.

LYCHNIS (Campion or Catchfly)

An artistic perennial which has been cultivated for centuries in some parts of the world. Noted for their brilliantly colored flower heads and extreme hardiness. Ideal to liven up the colors in your border during late summer and early autumn.

CHALCEDONICA (MALTESE CROSS) ----- 1.25 .75

Vivid scarlet flowers in flat heads come over a long blooming period. Just the plant to make bright spots of color in your garden. Grows 2½ feet high. Very hardy and easy to grow.

Ogden, Utah, April 27, 1945

Richards Gardens, Plainwell, Mich

Received the plants in good condition, I am waiting until it quits raining so I may plant them. Thank you. Mrs. Lettie Ross

VARIETY

Per
Doz. Half
Doz.

MATRICARIA (Feverfew)

This splendid plant is much used for low growing beds. Very compact in growth with strongly scented ornamental foliage. Masses of bloom in late summer and early fall. Grows 10 to 15 inches high.

BALL'S DOUBLE WHITE ----- 1.25 .75

This is the only fully double flowering, pure white strain. We guarantee 98% true to description and highly recommend this variety.

BALL'S DOUBLE GOLDEN ----- 1.50 .90

Same general description as for double white above, but this new variety has blooms of rich golden color. Very free-bloomer.

MYOSOTIS (Forget-me-not)

Most people are familiar with these dainty flowering Forget-Me-Nots which bring so much beauty and charm to the spring landscape. Delightful for the rockery, for walk edging or around the pool.

ALPESTRIS ----- 1.25 .75

Grows only 12 inches tall and universally loved for its tiny clear blue flowers in early spring.

PAPAVER (Poppy)

THE EMPEROR ----- 1.35 .80

Large-flowered, orange, long stemmed, Gartford Giant Art Shades. This mixture is an excellent strain with exceptionally fine large flowers, beautifully fluted and soft textured, carried on extremely long, heavy, wiry stems. The color range includes lovely pastel shades.

PHYSALIS (GIANT CHINESE LANTERN)

Loved for its brilliant orange-red lantern-like pods which are used for gay winter bouquets. One of the easiest perennials to grow. Do well in any type soil and thrive in dry locations.

FRANCHETTI GIGANTEA ----- 1.25 .75

Real giant sized lanterns of flashing color are produced on sturdy plants, as many as thirty to a plant. When cut and dried they last indefinitely.

POLEMONIUM (Jacob's Ladder)

COERULEUM GRANDIFLORA BLUE ----- 1.25 .75

Very showy and free flowering, bearing masses of large deep blue flowers through May and June. Grows two feet high and noted for hardiness.

PYRETHRUM (Painted Daisies)

No other perennial flower seems to have the general usefulness, beauty, color, hardiness and easy culture that belongs to these gorgeous flowers. Foliage is fernlike and ornamental. Stems are strong and erect. Plants transplant easily and each one produces a liberal number of blooms during the season.

ROBINSON'S MIXED ----- 1.75 1.00

Finest strain of painted daisies, in mixed colors. A really great new strain. We think so much of it that we have discontinued growing any of the others.

VARIETY

Per
Doz.

Half
Doz.

RUDBECKIA (Cone Flower)

For tall backgrounds in the hardy perennial border these plants are indispensable.

PURPUREA ----- 1.25 .75

The best known Rudbeckia. Rosy reddish purple petals with high cone-shaped center of dark brown. Three to four foot stems are rugged and withstand high winds. Blooms from July until frost.

SALVIA (Meadow Sage)

AZUREA GRANDIFLORA ----- 1.25 .75

A species from the Rocky Mountains. Stems are 3 to 4 feet high and willowy. During the early Autumn pale blue flowers are produced in almost unbelievable profusion. Ideal for color in the perennial border. Keep well when cut.

SAPONARIA (Soapwort)

OCYMOIDES SPLENDENS ----- 1.25 .75

Trailing vine-like plant which is a necessity in every rockery. From May until July plants are a mass of rosy pink small blossoms.

SCABIOSA (Pincushion Flower)

Strong and vigorous growing plants with an unusually free blooming habit. Handsome as border plants and especially fine as cut flowers.

CAUCASICA (PERFECTA) ----- 1.25 .75

Do well in any ordinary garden soil. Stems 18 to 24 inches long topped by charming flowers in a soft lilac lavender shade. In bloom from June to September.

ISAAC HOUSE HYBRID ----- 1.35 .80

Extra large flowering strain noted for the variations of coloring in its blooms. All shades from light blue and lavender to deep blue appear throughout the blooming season.

SHASTA DAISY (Moonpenny)

One of the most widely known and used of all the hardy perennials. Constant improvements and the introduction of new strains have made them one of the most beautiful and sure-to-grow plants that you can have in your garden. Always showy in mass plantings and equally desirable as cut flowers.

ALASKA ----- 1.25 .75

The best known variety. Improvements in the strain now results in longer, stronger stems and larger flowers. They are exceptionally free flowering, producing blooms of large size with large golden centers, all through the summer and fall. Grows about 2½ feet tall. Vigorous and hardy.

DIENER'S NEW HYBRID DOUBLE FRINGED WHITE DAISY

If you really want something exceptionally fine in white daisies this new development will be the answer. Medium tall growing, with strong stems, and immense white blooms, most of which are double or semi-double. Some have broad petals on others the petals are narrowly shredded. A further note of beauty and oddity is added by attractively fringed edges.

Don't fail to include a few of these in your plant order. They will excite more admiration and comment than any plant in your garden.

6 for 90c; 12 for \$1.50, Postpaid

VARIETY

	Per Doz.	Half Doz.
STATICE (Great Sea Lavender)		
LATIFOLIA -----	1.35	.80

Grows in fine lace-like form with a profusion of misty purplish-blue blossoms. May be cut and dried for winter bouquets. Unexcelled for filler in floral arrangements. Grows 18 inches high.

DUMOSA -----	1.50	.90
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Growth and habits same as above except blossoms are a lovely misty orchid-pink.

STOKESIA (Cornflower Aster)

Rich green ornamental foliage from which 12 inch stems arise, each topped by an exquisite, aster-like bloom with finely divided petals. Prefer a sheltered location.

CYANEA, BLUE -----	1.35	.80
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An excellent cutting variety. Flowers are clear azureblue in color and plants begin blooming in July.

TRITOMA (Red Hot Poker)

PFITZERI A very spectacular plant with foliage resembling that of the Yucca. Twenty-four inch stems, each topped with a large cone-shaped spike of dazzling orange. Make a brilliant color display for the Autumn garden. Field Grown, Transplanted Plants.

30c each, 6 for \$1.50, 12 for \$2.50, Postpaid

VALERIANA (GARDEN HELIOTROPE)

COCCINEA RUBRA -----	1.25	.75
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One of the most showy of garden flowers. Bright red flower heads are borne in abundance on 12 inch stems all through the summer months. Rich green foliage is ornamental and adds to the beauty of the plant. Unequalled for bold color masses in the border and for flashy bouquets.

An interesting and valuable family of plants because of their ornamental foliage and their long flower spikes, which resemble graceful spires. Thrive in rich soil in full sun.

VERONICA (SPEEDWELL)

LONGIFOLIA -----	1.25	.75
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Reaches height of about 30 inches and is a beautiful sight in July and August with its long spire-like spikes of deep blue.

VIOLAS (Hardy Tufted Pansies)

One of the most popular edging and bedding flowers. In bloom nearly eight months of the year! Loved for their dwarf size, their colorfulness and their free-blooming habit.

ARKWRIGHT RUBY -----	1.25	.75
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Very free flowering, rich ruby-red color, with satiny sheen. Fragrant and delightful when cut.

BLACK IMP -----	1.25	.75
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Glossy black with bright yellow eye. Showy.

CHANTREYLAND -----	1.25	.75
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Masses of purest apricot blooms all summer.

WALLER FRANKLIN MIXTURE -----	1.25	.75
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Mixture of gay blues and yellows, especially for bedding or colorful edgings. Abundant bloomers.

RICHARDS GARDENS

PANSY PLANTS

GIANT SWISS VARIETIES

These are the giant flowering sorts with size and color of almost unbelievable beauty. Strong growers and prolific bloomers. Foliage thick and luxuriant.

It pays to buy the best when getting Pansy Plants. You will love these Giant Swiss varieties.

SUPER SWISS GIANT MIXED

A vertible rainbow of color. Well balanced shades are ideal for bedding or gay borders.

SUPER SWISS MAPLE LEAF, GIANT MIXED

Assorted shades of color. Foliage attractively formed. Giant size blooms.

SUPER SWISS DWARF, MIXED

—One of the finest plants we know of for creating gay borders or edging. This strain has large blooms in bright colors but they are borne on shorter stems than other varieties. Use them for edging a perennial or rose bed—Along the sides of a walk or in front of taller growing plants. Fine for floating bouquets or low floral arrangements.

SUPER SWISS BLUE (Ullswater)

Rich satiny ultramarine blue. Giant blooms in profusion until late fall.

SUPER SWISS CORONATION GOLD

Largest blooms of clear gold with lower petals flushed rich golden orange. A bed of these make a thrilling spectacle of beauty.

SUPER SWISS PURE WHITE

Large, beautifully shaped blooms of purest white. Ideal for low bouquets or blending with contrasting shades.

SUPER SWISS ALPENGLOW

Richest wine-red coloring. Large blooms in abundance. Ideal for bedding or borders.

YOUR CHOICE OF ABOVE VARIETIES
\$1.10 per dozen, 2 dozen, \$2.00, Postpaid

NOTICE

Due to plant inspection and quarantine restrictions we find that it is impossible for us to make further shipment of orders into Canada. We must ask that those Canadian customers to whom plants have been sent in the past refrain from asking us to make future shipments.

PLEASE NOTE CAREFULLY

At least one half dozen plants of any one variety must be ordered, unless there is a price given for a lesser quantity. Our low prices will not permit handling orders of lesser quantities of a kind.

RICHARDS GARDENS

FIELD GROWN HARDY PHLOX

**BEST OF AMERICA'S FAVORITE VARIETIES;
COLORFUL NEW INTRODUCTIONS
— WILL BLOOM NEXT SUMMER —**

No flower will lend more color and beauty to your garden than a mass planting of Hardy Phlox. They thrive under average conditions, bloom freely over a long period of time, and are equally satisfactory when used in beds or borders.

We are growers of Phlox and have an unusually fine assortment of field grown plants. These are one-year plants, the best size for transplanting. All are well rooted and have bloomed in our fields, so we know they are all true to name. Phlox will start blooming early in July and continue through August into September.

VARIETY

AETNA

Excellent new variety which is highly resistant to rust.
Tall strong grower and of superb deep scarlet color.

AFRICA

The favorite deep red. Good grower and sure, heavy bloomer.

ANNIE LAURIE

One of the best new salmon-reds. Sturdy grower.

BORDER QUEEN

Dwarf variety good for foreground plantings.
Massive well formed heads. Deep watermelon pink.

CAROLINE VANDENBURG

The nearest to blue color to be found among the Phlox.
Large flowering type providing a distinct contrast in color values.

CHARLES CURTIS—

Brilliant cherry red. Very showy.

COUNT ZEPPELIN

Very strong grower and free flowering. Large white blooms with vivid bright red eye.

DAILY SKETCH

One of the best introductions of recent years. Immense flowers of light salmon pink with carmine eye.

DR. KLEMM

Large trusses of white with diffused violet eye.

E. I. FARRINGTON

A Phlox of distinctive beauty. Flower trusses are extremely large and color is a delightful salmon shade with slightly darker eye.

ETHEL PRITCHARD

Rich bluish-violet which blends well with other colors.

FLASH

Rich carmine-rose with orange-scarlet center.

JULY LIGHTS

A brilliant carmine red with blood red eye.

LEO SCHLAGETER

One of the brightest and flashiest of all red Phlox. Sturdy grower and very free bloomer.

HARDY PHLOX (Continued)

LILLIAN

One of the most distinctive new Phlox ever introduced. Unusually large trusses of charming soft pink.

MARY LOUISE

New white—One of the best growers and bloomers. Large flower heads and florets.

MIA RUYS

A dwarf variety which bears large heads of pure white.

MISS LINGARD

Long accepted as one of the best cutting varieties, pure white. Splendid for bouquets and mixed floral arrangements.

MOONLIGHT DREAM

Medium grower. Large trusses of rich creamy white.

MORGENROOD

The glorious rosy red of sunrise. Very striking for colorful beds.

PAINTED LADY

Much loved for its shimmering silvery-pink color and deep red eye. Tall vigorous grower.

PRIME MINISTER

Clear pure white, brilliant red center.

ROYAL PURPLE

All that its name implies. Large florets of dark satiny purple.

SALMON BEAUTY

Rich salmon pink with white eye.

SALMON GLOW

Teamed with Daily Sketch this variety has swept to a high place in the Phlox world. Its robust growth and blooms of deep salmon recommend it to all.

STARLIGHT

Beautiful pastel lavender-orchid color with white center marking. Large flower heads and florets. Strong grower.

TIGRESS

Brilliant new coral shade with golden sheen.

Your choice of the listed Phlox varieties

30c each; 6 for \$1.65; or 12 for \$3.00, Postpaid

**EACH LABELED, WELL PACKED, AND
GUARANTEED TO ARRIVE IN GOOD CONDITION.**

6 PHLOX ALL LABELED OUR SELECTION \$1.50

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RICHARDS GARDENS
"OLD HOMESTEAD BRAND"
PEONIES

**GROWERS OF PEONIES FOR TWENTY-SIX
YEARS—**

We want to say just a word about the quality of Richards' Peonies. We send out, as always, nice clean roots, three to five eye divisions. All from one, two, and three years old clumps. You will find no clubby stock in our peonies and we guarantee them true to name.

Where Ten Of A Kind Are Ordered, An Extra Root Will Be Added.

We are giving the rating on the peonies and you will note that there are many in this list that rate nine or better and only in one or two instances are they below eight. We are very proud of this list and know you will be pleased with the offerings we make this year.

OUR GUARANTEE

We exercise great care in keeping our varieties true to name and will replace any variety that proves untrue two years from date of sale.

PEONIES TO COLOR

We have, every year, an accumulation of peonies to color but unnamed. These are from our regular stock, you might get a \$3.00 peony among these mixed varieties. White, 40c each; Pink, 40c each; and Red, 40c each. Not less than five of these will be filled on an order, or we will furnish.

FOUR RED MIXED
FOUR PINK MIXED
FOUR WHITE MIXED

} **\$4.50**

POSTPAID

HOW TO PLANT PEONIES

Peonies are heavy feeders and should be planted in soil which has been thoroughly prepared by deep spading and the addition of well rotted manure or good commercial fertilizer.

Peonies should be planted with eyes NOT MORE THAN TWO INCHES below surface of the soil.

Most of the trouble that gardeners experience in not having their peonies bloom comes from planting too deep.

Have holes generously large to accommodate the roots, Sift in finely pulverized soil around roots until nearly covered, and then fill hole with water and allow to settle. This eliminates any air pockets. Fill in balance of earth to proper depth and pack firmly.

Peonies planted in this manner will seldom fail to grow and bloom the following year.

Well rotted manure applied as a mulch in late fall and then worked into the soil the following spring will help promote luxuriant growth and blooms.

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PEONIES (Continued)

AMERICA'S OUTSTANDING DOUBLE VARIETIES

VARIETY		Rating	Each
ALBERT CROUSSE	Double, light rose pink with creamy tone. A profuse bloomer. Strong stems and good foliage, late.	8.6	.90
ALSACE LORRAINE	Double; large; late midseason. Pure white tinted with cream and buff in center.	8.8	.75
A. M. SLOCUM	Large; double; late. Light rosepink with lighter center. A dwarf free blooming type.	9.0	.90
ASA GRAY	Delicate pink, some years slightly mottled. Very free-flowering and very fragrant. Fine for cutting. Mid-season.	8.1	.75
BARONESS SCHROEDER	Large; double; midseason. Flesh-white tinted creamy pink.	9.0	.75
CHESTINE GOWDY	Large; double; late. Light rose with some outer petals edged with red. Strong grower and free blooming.	8.4	.85
CLAIRE DUBOIS	Large; double; late. Bright rose-pink with enormous buds and flowers. Strong stems make this a good cutting variety.	8.7	.90
CORONATION	Very large; double; late midseason. Beautiful shaped bloom with rose pink outer petals and deeper colored center. Free blooming.	8.5	.90
E. G. HILL	Large; double; midseason. Deep rose. Good grower and free blooming.	7.1	.75
EDITH FORREST	Large; double; midseason. A good pink which flowers heavily and is especially effective in massed border plantings.		.75
EDULIS SUPERBA	This is one of the few peonies which we have that is rated under eight, and there is no reason why Edulis Superba should carry this low rating as it is really a good peony, early free flowering, and a fine cut flower in the dark pink class.	7.6	.75
ELWOOD PLEAS	Large, late pink peony on the order of Therese.	8.7	.75
FELIX CROUSSE	Late, midseason red peony, one of the Big Four of peonies, and probably the largest seller of all red peonies. Sure bloomer always opens well.	8.4	.75
FESTIVA MAXIMA	Very large double; early. White with crimson flecks. Strong stems and free flowering.	9.3	.75
GEORGIANA SHAYLOR	Very large; double; late midseason. Light rose-pink with odd crimson streaked petals around center. Free blooming.	8.9	1.00
GRACE BATSON	This is a deep pink and a good one.		1.25
JAMES KELWAY	Very large, early mid-season peony, opening pink and turning white. Fine for cutting.	8.7	.75

PEONIES (Continued)

VARIETY

	Rating	Each
KARL ROSENFELD -----	8.8	.75
Red, large flower, blooms in mid-season. This is not the ordinary red but it has a light touch of crimson. A reliable bloomer. Does not open well when cut in bud.		
KELWAY'S GLORIOUS -----	9.8	1.25
Very large, double, midseason. Creamy-white, crimson streaks.		
LADY ALEXANDER DUFF -----	9.1	1.00
Large, double, midseason. Blush-pink blooms in clusters.		
LILLIAN GUMM -----	8.8	.85
Very large, deep rose-pink flower.; a real beauty and blooms in midseason. Fine for cut flowers.		
LORA DEXHEIMER -----	8.4	.75
Bright crimson. We consider this one of the very best of reds and when it is better known should be very popular. Blooms in mid-season. Fine for cut flowers. Free bloomer.		
LORCH -----	8.7	.90
Large pure snow white outer petals with center petals lemon and cream with rose fragrance. When well grown is a beautiful flower. Midseason.		
MARIE CROUSSE -----	8.9	1.00
Very large, double, mid-season. Pale pink shaded deeper at center with glowing sheen. Free blooming and good stems.		
MAUD L. RICHARDSON -----	8.5	.85
Light rose-pink, blooming very late. Very free-flowering and fine for cut flowers opening well for late bloomer. Very fragrant.		
MONS. JULES ELIE -----	9.2	.75
Very large, double, early. Light rose-pink. Free-flowering. Dark satiny sheen.		
MRS. C. S. MINOT -----	9.2	1.25
Very large, double, late. Flesh-pink with copper tint.		
MRS. JOHN M. LEWIS -----	8.2	.85
Large, dark crimson and blooms in mid-season. Very symmetrical.		
NINA SECOR -----	9.0	.90
Medium, double, mid-season. Pure white with yellow glow, red flecked.		
PHILIPPE RIVOIRE -----	9.2	1.25
Medium, double, mid-season. Very deep crimson with blackish glow.		
PHOEBE CARY -----	8.8	1.00
Pale old rose pink. Very late, double type, profuse bloomer. A good peony of good color and no serious fault.		
PHYLLIS KELWAY -----	9.0	1.25
Very large; semi-double; mid-season. Rose-pink with lighter center. Good stems.		
REINE HORTENSE -----	8.7	.75
We cannot say too much about Reine Hortense. It is a very large pink, rather flat bloom and free-flowering. Considered one of the very best of cut flower varieties. Blooms in mid-season.		
SARAH BERNHARDT -----	9.0	.90
Very large; double; late. Dark rose pink. Strong stems. Free flowering.		

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PEONIES (Continued)

VARIETY		Rating	Each
SOUVENIR DE LOUIS BIGOT	-----	9.1	1.00
Large; double; mid-season. Vivid pink, shell-pink center. Strong erect stems.			
THERESE	-----	9.8	1.25
Very large; double; midseason. Enormous size. Rose-pink with golden glow.			
TOURANGELLE	-----	9.4	.85
Large; double; late. Creamy-white suffused with tan and flesh-pink.			
W. F. CHRISTMAN	-----	8.8	.85
Double; large; mid-season. Bright shell-pink with faint pink. Fragrant and free flowering.			
WALTER FAXON	-----	9.3	.75
Medium; double, mid-season. Bright shell-pink with luminous glow.			
WINNIFRED DOMME	-----	8.3	.85
A small flower, blooms in mid-season. Has a very distinctive color, almost as dark as Mons Martin Cahuzac and really a most desirable peony.			

ORIENTAL PEONIES

FUYAJO	-----	9.2	1.25
Dark purplish crimson blooms in mid-season. Free flowering.			
GYPSY	-----	8.0	.75
Dark wine-red, blooms in mid-season and of medium size.			
MIKADO	-----	8.6	.75
Dull crimson, of medium size, blooms in mid-season. Free flowering.			

SPECIAL: One of the Finest Peonies Ever Introduced:

"HANSINA BRAND"

A mammoth double flowering type with a rating of 9-1.
Large petals of rich pink, shading deeper at base, and entire bloom diffused with a soft glowing salmon.
Strong stems hold flowers erect.

Nice 3-5 Eye Divisions—\$5.00 each, Postpaid

OUR GUARANTEE

We guarantee these peonies to be true to name. Notify us any time within two years after purchase of any not true to name and we will replace them without charge.

SEND US YOUR ORDERS EARLY

Make out your order and send it in to us now while you are thinking of it. We will send all plants at planting time.

THE WORLD'S HIGHEST RATED PEONIES

AT RICHARDS' MONEY SAVING PRICES

From our list of Peonies we have selected 26 of the best; all rating 9.0 or better, as listed below.

These are unquestionably the aristocrats of the Peony world. All grown from one, two and three year old stock, the finest roots money can buy.

A. M. SLOCUM
BARONESS SCHROEDER
FESTIVA MAXIMA
GEORGINA SHAYLOR
GLORIANA
GRACE BATSON
HAZEL KINNEY
JUNE DAY
KELWAY'S GLORIOUS
LADY ALEXANDER DUFF
LONGFELLOW
MABEL L. FRANKLIN
MARY W. SHAYLOR

MONS. JULES ELIE
MRS. C. S. MINOT
MRS. EDWARD HARDING
NINA SECOR
PHILLIPPE RIVOIRE
PHYLLIS KELWAY
ROSE SHAYLOR
SARAH BERNHARDT
SOLANGE
SOUVENIR DE LOUIS BIGOT
THERESE
TOURANGELLE
WALTER FAXON

SPECIAL OFFER NUMBER ONE

One of each of the 26 supreme peonies described: all strong 3 to 5 divisions. A real Peony value, postpaid to your door at Richard's Low price of only-----\$22.50

SPECIAL PEONY OFFER NUMBER TWO

Your choice of any 12 peonies from this list of the World's Outstanding varieties, postpaid for only-----\$11.00

SPECIAL OFFER NUMBER THREE

Your choice of any five of the superb peonies, postpaid for only-----\$5.00

SPECIAL PEONY OFFER NUMBER FOUR

One Felix Crousse, bright red; one Mons. Jules Elie, rose pink; one Festiva Maxima, white—Three fine and wonderful peonies postpaid for only-----\$1.75

SPECIAL: 5 MIXED PEONIES, \$1.50

We will select 5 peonies, our choice, for only one dollar and fifty cents. These will not be labeled but will all be good varieties, 3 to 5 eye divisions. Just the bargain you've been looking for to plant a large bed or for a peony hedge.

FREE PEONIES

With each order for **OFFER No. 1** at \$22.50 we will include **FREE 1 Felix Crousse**, rated 8.4 bright red, midseason, double; and **1 Mary BRAND** rated 8.7, dark crimson with bright sheen, midseason, double.

With each order for **OFFER No. 2** received we will include **FREE 1 MARY BRAND** as described above.

With each order for **OFFER No. 3** received we will include **FREE 1 Felix Crousse** as described above.

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